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PASS TO SCIATT MALLOY

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: TGEN, TBIO, UR

SUBJECT: SFCP/HEW HEALTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM: DR. DEJAN ZECEVIC
REFERENCES: (A) BELGRA 05099, (B) STATE 196997

1. IN REF B, HEW/OIH EXPRESSED CONCERNS ABOUT PROPOSED
FAISECTC EXCHANGE, DR. DEJAN ZECEVIC, (REF A) AND BASICALLY
LEFT DECISION TO MALLOY. HEW/OIH NOW UNDERSTANDS THAT MALLOY
HAS SENT ZECEVIC AND/OR FAISECTC A LETTER EXPRESSING OIH'S
REJECTION OF THIS NOMINATION FOR EXCHANGE VISIT. HEW/OIH
WILL FULLY SUPPORT EMBASSY ACTIONS IN THIS MATTER ALTHOUGH
NEW INFORMATION HAS JUST ARRIVED IN OIH FROM ZECEVIC'S US
COLLABORATOR WHICH NOW MAKES HEW/OIH MUCH MORE INCLINED TO
SUPPORT THIS VISIT. OIH/FISCHER WAS RECENTLY TELEPHONED BY
DR. LEVITAN FROM THE U OF MARYLAND AND REMINDED THAT
ZECEVIC WAS FULLBRIGHT EXCHANGE WITH HIM FOR 9 MONTHS LAST
YEAR, RECEIVING ONLY 2 MONTHS OF INCOUNTRY SUPPORT FROM HEW,
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PROVIDED UNDER TERMS OF EXCHANGE PROGRAM ALTHOUGH FUNDED
FROM HEW DOMESTIC RESOURCES. LEVITAN SAID ZECEVIC WILL REPORT
ON THAT RESEARCH AT ST. LOUIS MEETING AS WELL AS SPEND ONE
WEEK IN HIS LABORATORY LEARNING A NEW SCIENTIFIC TECHNIQUE
TO CARRY ON RESEARCH OF JOINT INTEREST. WITH THIS EXPLANA-
TION OF THE INTENT OF ZECEVIC'S PROPOSED VISIT, HEW/OIH FEELS
IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE FOR JOINT FUND SUPPORT, ESPECIALLY

WITH FAISECTC APPROVAL.

2. HEW/OIH REQUESTS SCIATT CONSIDER INFORMATION ABOVE
PARA 1 AND IF REPEAT IF SCIATT WOULD FEEL NO EMBARRASSMENT
IN REVERSING DECISION OR IF SCIATT HAS NO OTHER REASONS
FOR WANTING TO STICK TO DECISION TO DENY THIS VISIT, HEW
REQUESTS APPROVAL NOTICE BE SENT ZECEVIC AND FAISECTC.
HEW UNDERSTANDS TWO WEEK VISIT WILL INCLUDE TRAVEL TO
ST. LOUIS AND WASHINGTON IN NOVEMBER. IF EMBASSY AGREES,
TRAVEL AND PER DIEM AND ANY CONFERENCE REGISTRATION COSTS
ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED FROM EXCHANGE PROGRAM BUDGET. IF
THIS EXCHANGE IS FINALLY UNDERTAKEN, HEW REQUESTS
ADDITIONALLY THAT EMBASSY NOTIFY HEW/OIH FISCHER OF FINAL
ITINERARY AND EXPENDITURES CHARGED AGAINST EXCHANGE
PROGRAM. CHRISTOPHER

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